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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Thomas R. Hetzel and )  
Joseph S. Bieganeck ) Group Art Unit: 1734  
Serial No. 10/628,858 ) Confirmation No. 3846  
Filed: July 28, 2003 ) Examiner:  
For: INDIVIDUALLY-CONTOURED SEAT )  
CUSHION AND SHAPE )  
CONTOURING AND FABRICATING )  
METHOD OF SEAT CUSHION )

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION  
DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The Examiner may wish to consider the following supplemental information in connection with the examination of the above application. The following information is admitted to be prior art.

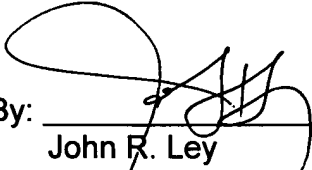
Orthotic insoles for shoes have been custom-made by a procedure in which an impression of the users feet is obtained in a block of impression foam. The insole manufacturer sends a block of foam, typically protected in a container, to a orthotist. The orthotist takes the container and foam to the user, and based on the orthotist's instructions, the consumer stands onto foam to create an impression of his or her foot. Thereafter, the orthotist ships the foam in the container with the impression back to the insole manufacturer, and the insoles are made by utilizing the impression.

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It is also believed that the size and shape for custom-making shoes may be obtained by a process in which the customer stands on to a block of foam to create an impression indicating the size and shape of his or her foot from which the shoes are made.

Respectfully submitted,

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